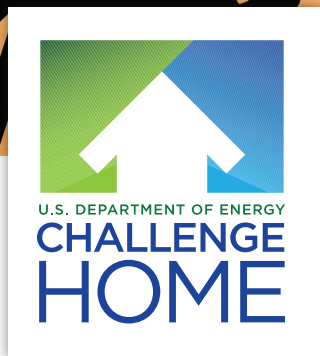# The Future of Housing—Today

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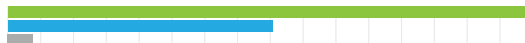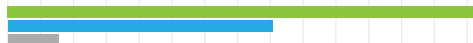

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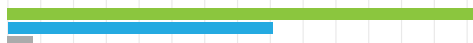## A Symbol of Excellence

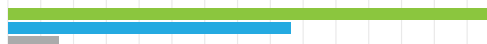**HEALTHFUL ENVIRONMENT**

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ULTRA EFFICIENT

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- DOE Challenge Home
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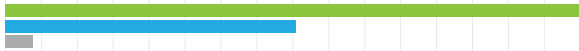**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

A Symbol of Excellence

Every Challenge Home offers a cost-effective, high performance package of energy savings, comfort, health, and durability unparalleled in today's marketplace.
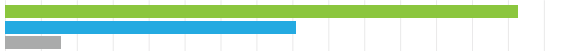
A comfortable and healthful home.

HEALTHFUL ENVIRONMENT

Every DOE Challenge Home has a comprehensive package of measures to minimize dangerous pollutants, provide continuous fresh air, and effectively filter the air you breathe.

COMFORT PLUS

Superior insulation, windows, air sealing and space conditioning systems included in every DOE Challenge Home surround you with even temperatures, low-humidity, and quiet in every room on every floor.
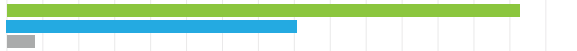
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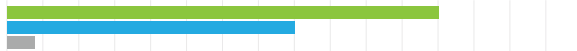- DOE Challenge Home
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Ultra high tech and energy efficient.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

Every DOE Challenge Home begins with solid building science specified by ENERGY STAR for Homes, and then adds advanced technologies and practices from DOE's world-class research program, Building America.
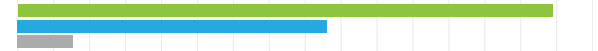
ULTRA EFFICIENT

Compared to a typical home, an ultra efficient Challenge Home is inexpensive to own. In fact, every DOE Challenge Home is so energy efficient, a small solar electric system can easily offset most, or all, of your utility bills. We call this Zero Net-Energy Ready.
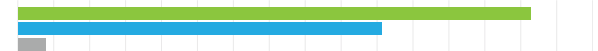
High quality construction— built to last.

QUALITY BUILT

Advanced construction practices and technologies are specified for every DOE Challenge Home. Then they are enforced by independent verifiers with detailed checklists and prescribed diagnostics.

DURABILITY

The advanced levels of energy savings, comfort, health, durability, quality and future performance in every DOE Challenge Home provide value that will stand the test of time, and will meet and exceed forthcoming code requirements.

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